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OVER 100 PERISH AT SEA; MANY BEING FROZEN TO DEATH.

Steamer Bound From Boston to New York Collided With Schooner Off Block Island This Morning.

BUT VERY FEW WERE SAVED

In One Boat That Reached Shore There Were Eight Living and Fourteen Dead, Latter Freezing After Removal from Steamer.

Publishers' Press Telegram.
NEWPORT, R. I., Feb. 12.—The steamer Larchmont, of the Joy Line, bound from Boston to New York, sank off Block Island last night after colliding with the schooner Harry Knowlton. Several passengers are reported lost. The Knowlton sank almost immediately, while the Larchmont remained afloat for some time following the crash. It is believed the Knowlton's crew escaped in small boats.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Feb. 12.—Probably 130 people perished at sea off Quonochontoga Beach, Block Island in the collision between the Larchmont and Knowlton early this morning. Of the steamer's crew of forty men and 190 passengers, only a single boat has reached the shore, containing eight living men and fourteen corpses. How the collision occurred is not yet known.

WATCH HILL, R. I., Feb. 12.—There were about 100 passengers aboard the Larchmont. Only six or seven were saved. Word has been received here that eighteen bodies have been washed ashore on Block Island. The Knowlton's crew was rescued. Of two boat loads landing at Block Island early today, all but half a dozen in the boats were frozen to death. A late report says there were 150 people aboard and possibly more.

"ABRAHAM LINCOLN"

Was the Subject of E. C. Higbee's Address at High School, Taking Judge Reppert's Place.

Attorney E. C. Higbee delivered an oration on "Abraham Lincoln" at the High School today. Judge E. H. Reppert had been invited, but there being no session of court, he was unable to attend. Mr. Higbee's address was not only an excellent one from a historical standpoint, but was also a model of oratorical delivery.

The talk was greatly enjoyed by the students. Short services were held at the High School this morning in commemoration of the day.

Aside from the exercises in the schools Lincoln's birthday was not observed in Connellsville except by the banks, which are closed.

MIGHT BE MURDER.

Suspicion Arises That John Collins Did Not Freeze to Death, But Was Killed.

ONIOTOWN, Feb. 12.—The suspicion has arisen that John Collins, who was found dead in a cold back of Oliver one day last week, did not freeze to death, but was assassinated. The ground in the vicinity of where he was found indicated that a struggle had taken place. A bruise on the back of Collins' head also looked suspicious.

When he left home Collins had \$15 when his body was found there were but two cents.

ANOTHER EARTHQUAKE

At Kingston Kills Ten Men Last Night and Does Much Damage to Property.

Special to Sunday Courier.
KINGSTON, Feb. 12.—In the heaviest earthquake shock since the destruction of the city ten men were killed last night and a number of buildings, already shattered, were tumbling to the ground. The government headquarters house sustained serious damage. It is no longer habitable.

THAW TRIAL.

Dr. Evans, Almonist, Testified This Morning As to An Examination He Made of Prisoner.

Publishers' Press Telegram.
NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Harry K. Thaw's 36th birthday anniversary today was remembered by all his relatives and many friends. Their tokens were sent to the Tombs and he had a

busy time examining the packages before he was called to court. When he reached the prison bar his wife was there to greet him. She congratulated him on the occasion. It was with earnest mien that she wished him many happy returns of the day.

Dr. Britton D. Evans, Superintendent of the New Jersey Hospital for the Insane at Morris Plains, N. J., was the first witness at the Thaw trial today. Judge Debevoise questions were made by sustained objections of Jerome. His "observations" of Thaw were that he exhibited peculiar facial expressions, a glint and restlessness of the eyes, had an unusual suspicion of every one about and that he had a disposition of personal character, having an exaggerated idea of his own importance, believing that he was the victim of persecution which made his role that of a martyr.

Dr. Evans explained at length the evidence of mental unsoundness he had observed in Thaw. On his second visit to Thaw in the Tombs, the witness declared Thaw was even more insane than to tell him, an expert, how to conduct the examination. This was done for Thaw, who grabbed a law book and plunged his nose in the pages, apparently very deeply interested. Dr. Evans stated that Thaw was a victim of delusions. He declared, "After I had observed this man, Thaw dismissed the physician and entered into an excited discussion with his attorney."

"I object," declared Jerome, and the old wrinkle over the defense's line of testimony was again opened. The squabble lasted almost an hour. Jerome objecting to the testimony on Thaw's insanity that blinged upon oral statements by Thaw. The witness described subsequent visits on two of which he had found Thaw the same Evans was the only witness of the morning session.

COLD WEATHER.

Mercury This Morning Was Down Close to the Zero Mark—Streets Covered With Ice.

The cold weather continues. This morning was one of the coldest of the winter, although the mercury did not drop to the limit reached last week. At 8 o'clock a shade over five degrees was registered, while it was lower than that earlier in the day. It began to get cold Monday evening, and by midnight the mercury had dropped to 12 degrees.

This morning the streets were unusually slippery. The frozen snow crunched loudly beneath the foot, while wagons caused it to make a noise not unlike that of weird music. These peculiar noises from the snow were more pronounced this morning than at any time before this winter. Horses found it difficult to travel. Brinley Corner was an especially dangerous locality, and a force of reserves stood in that vicinity to help push stranded wagons over the hump.

The Youghiogheny river is gradually becoming frozen. The streams is very sluggish, and if this weather continues for a day or so longer it is possible that there may be skating on that stream in the near future.

PRIMARY DECISION.

Judge E. H. Reppert Upholds Opinion of Commissioners in Disputed Case at Uniontown.

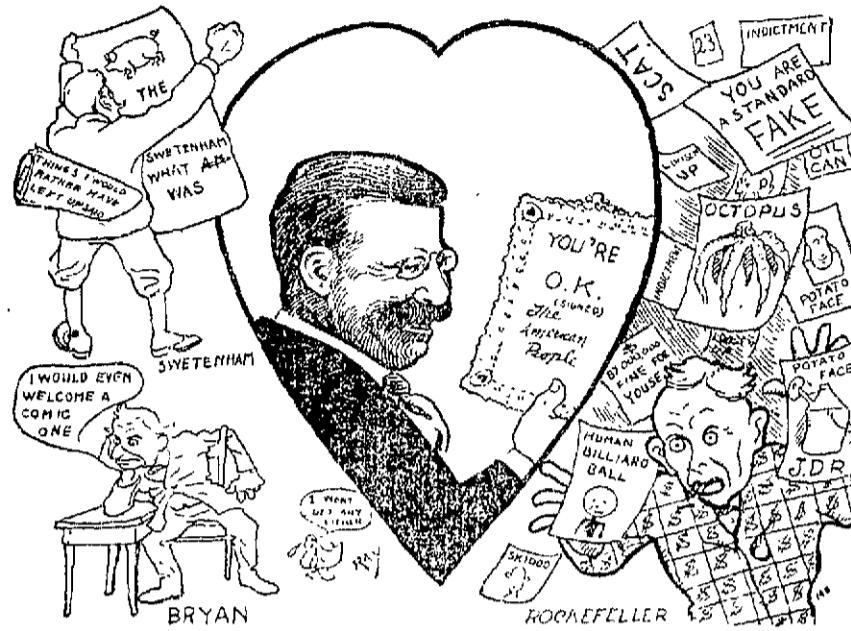
UNIOTOWN, Feb. 12.—Judge Reppert this morning, in a lengthy decision, set aside a case of especial interest, concerning the new Uniform Primary Law which has been causing no little confusion in this county. This decision was the suit of George Magee of Uniontown against the Fayette County Commissioners. Magee was a candidate for the nomination to the Council at Uniontown on the Democratic ticket. L. N. Daugherty, L. W. Fogg and J. A. Strickler were the Republican aspirants. Strickler and Fogg won out, and when the Democratic ballot was counted it was found that many voters also wrote Strickler's name on their ballots.

Magee was the only Democratic candidate, although there are two candidates. He objected to Strickler's name being placed on the Democratic ticket. The Commissioners were of opinion that Strickler's name was entitled to be put on the Democratic ticket, as he had received sufficient votes to nominate him. Judge Reppert concurring in the opinion of the Commissioners and Strickler's name will go on the ballot as a Democratic candidate.

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A FEW VALENTINE SUGGESTIONS.



THE HOUSE TRIAL ON AT GREENSBURG.

Case Against the Smithfield School Principal Attracts Much Attention.

COURT CROWDED YESTERDAY.

Many Witnesses from Fayette County Have Been Subpoenaed—All Day Yesterday Was Taken Up in Securing a Jury—Trial Started Today.

PLAINTIFFS WIN AT LAUREL HILL.

Decision by Judge Reppert Announced in U. P. Church Litigation.

SHORT LINE CASE IS DECIDED

Also Against Dr. G. W. Gallagher and Lloyd Johnston—Exceptions Overruled Protecting Against Damage Bonds of Mountain Water Supply Co.

BROTHERS ARRESTED

In Somerset County Charged With the Murder of Mrs. Mary Stauffer, An Aged Woman.

JOHNSTOWN, PA., Feb. 12—

Judge Putman of Hooversville and his brother Harry Putman of Boswell were arrested yesterday evening, charged with the murder of Mrs. Mary Stauffer, widow of James R. Baker on St. Clair avenue on November 15. In the afternoon when a fire was being selected and the door on the stairs was open, the room was gone at a minimum, and when Miss Baker went on the stairs the inmates were crowded back to the entrance stairs. The case passes, in interest and a tendency, any murder case tried here for years, and the interest promises to continue until the jury returns its verdict. Opinions as to the outcome vary here. The Commonwealth has a good chain of circumstantial evidence in addition to the identification by Miss Baker and Miss Carrier James G. Reed, but the defense has considerable doubt to work on for effect on the jury. Counsel John B. Keenan has long been known as Greensburg's leading criminal lawyer. He and P. K. Sharer were surprised today when D. C. Osgood, weak in convalescence from an attack of appendicitis, took his place at the defense table. The trio is the last that money can pick up here in a case like this.

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The News
of Nearby Towns.

DUNBAR.

Events of the Day in the Busy Furnace Town.

DUNBAR, Feb. 12.—John Wilhelm has placed in his restaurant a new line of candy and has made other extensive improvements.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Porter attended the play, "The Lion and the Mouse," at the Colonial Theatre, Connellsville, Saturday night.

Mrs. Fanny Seaton was the guest of friends and relatives in Connellsville Sunday.

Rose Visconti was a business caller in Uniontown Monday.

C. H. Pierce has purchased the restaurant in the Burnham building from Davidson & Linton.

Two new street cars stood on the siding here over Sunday. They will be used for the new line between Fairchance and Smithfield.

Miss Nelle Bigley of Pochin was calling on friends in Uniontown Sunday.

Mrs. Charles Ellenger of Uniontown was the guest of relatives here Sunday.

Paul Blaack of Uniontown was here Sunday the guest of friends and relatives.

Rollo Case was a business caller in Connellsville Monday.

Miss Bridget Riley and John Flenniken of Dawson, were united in marriage today at the St. Aloysius Church by Rev. E. D. Murphy. The bride and groom were attended by Miss Nell Maheny and Harry Sweeney of New Haven. After the ceremony a wedding dinner was served. The happy couple left on the evening train for Cleveland, where they will spend their honeymoon. Their many friends wish them a most happy future.

George Stainer of Pittsburgh was a business caller here yesterday.

J. H. Turley was here for a short time Monday on business.

The two and one-half year old child of Mr. and Mrs. James Linton died from spinal troubles on Sunday. The funeral will be held Tuesday from the home of its parents at 2 P. M. The services will be in charge of Rev. E. D. Minerd.

A baby boy has arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leckemby.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Duncan and son William were the guests of friends and relatives in Connellsville Sunday.

Misses Thelma and Barbara Daniels of Connellsville were here Sunday the guests of Dr. and Mrs. D. P. McKeen.

Mrs. William Landy is here on account of the serious illness of her father.

Reginald Palmer returned home from Philadelphia yesterday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Burnett, a baby girl.

SMITHFIELD.

Chatty Letter From the Metropolis of Georges Town.

SMITHFIELD, Feb. 11.—Dr. W. T. Messmore took in "The Lion and the Mouse" at the Colonial Theatre, Connellsville, Saturday night.

Mrs. G. A. Feather and little son Ray returned from Braddock Saturday, where they had been on an extended visit to Mrs. Feather's parents.

Rev. W. M. Ryan of New Brighton filled the pulpit of the Baptist Church Sunday. He administered the sacrament to a large number of communists after the preaching service. He preached again in the evening. Previous to this service he met with the official board in the lecture room of the church, the result of which, as he announced to the congregation, was that he had accepted the call to the pastorate that had been tendered him on a previous occasion, and his pastorate would commence the first of March, but he would not move his family here till the first of April. Rev. Ryan has a pleasing personality and has made a favorable impression on the congregation and other people who have heard him in the several services that he has held here.

G. A. Whetzel, Ewing McCleary, Curran Show, John Howard, Charles Huhn, W. S. Leech and the writer were to Greensburg today, being subpoenaed as witnesses in the House case.

Winter took a new lease of life yesterday. Another fall of the beautiful last night repaired the damage Old Sol had done to the sleighing and the prospects this morning are for another period of fine sleighing.

OHIOPILE.

Notes From the Little Mountain Region: Up the Yough.

OHIOPILE, Feb. 12.—Mrs. James Jones and son, who have been spending the past few days visiting relatives at this place, returned to their home at Hooversville yesterday.

Frank Shipley of this place left on Train No. 57 yesterday for Uniontown, where he is employed.

Miss Phoebe Clark of near this place was shopping in Connellsville yesterday.

Chauncey Leonard, who has been visiting relatives at this place, returned to his work at Connellsville yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolphus Shipley, who have been the guests of relatives in Somerset county for the past few weeks, returned to their home at that place yesterday.

You are invited to attend the Young People's Literary Society meeting held Friday, February 15. The Society will meet in the school house at this place at 2 o'clock P. M.

Miss Ada Wallace was calling on relatives in Connellsville yesterday.

Leave all items for publication in The Courier in care of P. O. Box No. 82.

BEAR RUN.

Personal Mention From the Masons' Country Place in the mountains.

BEAR RUN, Feb. 11.—Daniel Stull was a business caller in Ohioopile on Tuesday.

Lizzie Morris of Broadford is the guest of G. A. Hall for two weeks.

F. M. Cunningham preached at the Whig Corner Baptist Church Saturday evening and Sunday evening. There was one conversion, Grace P. McNair.

Mrs. G. A. Hall left Thursday for Pittsburgh, where she will visit for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Jeffries are moving from Bailey Point to Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Schroyer's, near Stewarton.

Friend of Connellsville was visiting his brother, A. S. Friend on Monday.

James P. Skinner is now able to be at work again.

Konoth, the youngest son of J. H. Tissie, is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Tissie and son Harry and two daughters, Ada and Delta, and Miss Izetta McElhaney were the guests of Mrs. Harriet Koontz on Sunday.

Mrs. M. C. Skinner is on the sick list.

J. H. Tissie was a business caller at Connellsville this week.

Tim Myers of Uniontown is visiting his uncle, Levi Tissie, for a few days.

Miss Izetta McElhaney, teacher of Whig Corner school, was visiting her parents at South Connellsville over Sunday.

Mr. Harbaugh Hall is not improving in health very fast. She was at Connellsville this week.

Mr. and L. G. Hawkins are now able to be around again.

A. E. Tissie was at Ohioopile Saturday.

Jesse McFarland is now able to be at his work again.

Alonzo Stark was visiting his parents at Ohioopile over Sunday.

Richard, the oldest son of W. E. Scarlett, who had pneumonia, is still improving and will soon be able to be out again.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Tissie and family and Miss Mary E. Koontz took a sled ride Sunday evening.

Thursday morning was the coldest day we have had this winter. It was 18 degrees below zero.

Frank Stark is now able to be out again.

Susan Lowery is working at Indiana Creek for F. W. Stickle.

Dan Woodhams of Connellsville was home over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Hall and daughter Edith of near Ohioopile were Whig Corner visitors Sunday.

ROCKWOOD.

Bright Paragraphs From the Big Somer-
erset County Brough.

ROCKWOOD, Feb. 11.—On Sunday night and Monday morning about five inches of snow fell on top of the deep snow which has covered the ground for several weeks. Following this came a strong wind storm which drove the snow like fury, piling up in the hollows, roads, etc. The roads, after so rapidly that before noon some of them were impossible. A. M. Gleason, who was on a circuit on Rural Route No. 2, found much difficulty in getting as far as his home; also, that it would have been impossible for him to have gone farther, so he returned to the postoffice. The driving continued during the entire day yesterday, and this morning it is expected that the roads will be completely blocked.

J. H. Lovitt, brakeman on the "Mohawk" crew, has been off duty for several days as the result of an injury he received at Johnstown last week. While doing some shunting in the yards at that place, Lovitt was caught between a car and the cattle pen, the space being very small, and was severely bruised. He expects to be able to go to work in a day or two.

R. R. Miller of Pittsburg spent Sunday at the home of his parents, Hon. and Mrs. E. D. Miller, of West Main street.

Walter A. Gifford of Belmore, Pittsburg, was the guest of friends here over Sunday.

The B. & C. civil engineers, who left here a week ago for Fairmont, W. Va., have returned and are again located at the Hotel Henzt, where they expect to make their headquarters for a month or more.

Ruth H. Dull, postmaster at Martinton, passed through town yesterday en route to Johnstown from Glade, where he had spent Sunday with his family.

Mr. David Gildner and granddaughter, Miss Daisy Zerfoss, visited the former's daughter, Mrs. Foster Witt, of Connellsville, on Saturday and Sunday.

William Drougher, a prosperous furrier of Upper Turkeyfoot township, was a business visitor in Rockwood yesterday.

"Mark Miller's Juvenile Lady Minstrels" was the attraction at Yost's Opera House Saturday night, and about the only good thing connected with the whole affair was the attendance.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given to all B. & C. railroad employees that the proposed General Rules of the company to be known as the Railroad Men's Supply Company, are now open for inspection at the First National Bank of Connellsville.

Those dosing stock are requested to leave money in said bank, obtaining receipt for same.

This receipt presented at a meeting of the stockholders to be held February 20, at 2 o'clock P. M. in Y. M. C. A. Hall, will entitle holder to take part in adoption of General Rules and become a charter member of this company.

F. C. CONWAY, President.

9 Feb 9th

VANDERBILT.

Personal Chat From Fayette County's New Borough.

VANDERBILT, Feb. 12.—One of the pleasant events of last Saturday evening was a nicely arranged sledding party from Dickerson Run. Those who composed the party left Dickerson Run about seven o'clock. Their destination was Perryopolis, going by way of Flatwoods and returning by way of Sand Rock. When they arrived at this place, they were joined by several people from here. The following made up the happy contingent: Misses Nell Edwards, Delta Lewis, Lucy and Eliza Gilmer, Anna Moon, Eliza Lutie, Darlie May Kooser, Misses George Lewis, Harry Kooser, George Lvergood, Harry Edwards, Edward Kramer, Norman Lutie. The out of town people who composed part of the party were Edward Fletcher of Chalerier and the Misses Maude and Blanch Kooser of Connellsville. They'll all sport a good time without a single accident to interfere with the ride.

Rev. Stewart of Tennessee preached in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church Sunday evening and also last night. Sunday morning he was at Eells meeting No. 1, where he delivered a trial sermon.

Charles W. Burry, the saddler, was in Connellsville Saturday last, where he transacted some matters of a business nature.

William Shallenberger, the insurance agent of Dawson, was a business caller at this place the latter part of last week.

W. H. Johns, principal of the borough schools, and Prof. Snyder of the East Liberty schools, were down at Perryopolis Friday evening and attended the lecture given there.

Peter Carroll, the well known publisher of New Haven, was here Saturday on a mission of business.

A. L. Aleg of East Liberty yesterday opened up a store opposite Edwards' furniture store.

The Misses Maude and Blanch Kooser of Connellsville were the guests of Miss Darlie May Kooser on Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Thompson who have been in Maryland the past month, returned home from their honeymoon.

Mr. Welling, whose home is in Mary land, is in town this week the guest of his sister, Mrs. B. F. Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Mountain and family were here Sunday the guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Laughrey.

J. B. Senior, tax collector of Dunham township, was here yesterday, looking after business matters.

Tonight at People's hall Lincoln's birthday will be celebrated by the colored people of Paul. Music will be furnished by the Paul Corner Band. A beautiful lace valentine will be presented to everyone who attends.

DAWSON.

Live Notes From the Busy Little Town Down the Yough.

DAWSON, Feb. 12.—Paul C. Moore, formerly of Dawson, but now of Pittsburgh, spent Sunday here with friends.

Miss Florence Anderson of Scottdale, who has been the guest of the Misses Loraine and Katherine McGill, the past few days, has returned home.

Miss Bridie Carr and Neill Smith, who are attending school at Beaver College, spent Sunday here with their parents.

J. C. McGill and Fred Battiger were from Connellsville callers Monday.

Misses Grace and Marie Moore of Vanderbilt spent Sunday with Dawson friends.

Joseph Hagedorn of Uniontown was in town Monday.

W. D. Cole of Pittsburg was a Dawson business caller Saturday.

William Shallenberger was the guest of friends at Summit Sunday.

Today is pay day on the 1st & 1st and will be a record-breaker. This is the first pay since the recent advance and as the men are making good time will be the largest pay in the history of the road.

Miss Marie Neville of Youngstown, O., is the guest of her friend, Mrs. Bass Leonard, North Dawson.

Mr. Geo. C. McGill, who has been visiting at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Frank Wright, at Monessen, has returned home.

John Stiehle of Greensburg spent Sunday here with friends.

James Corcoran, night cardiologist at McKees Rocks, was in town Monday calling on his man friends.

"Jim" was formerly a P. & L. B. conductor on the Dickerson Run-Hazleton crews running out of Dickerson Run before being promoted to yard master.

The Dawson bowling team and the Scottdale team will roll a match game on the Dawson alleys tonight. This will be the third game between the two teams and as the result stands now it is a tie, each team having won one game.

The following guests composed a sleigh party who drove down from Uniontown Friday night and took supper at the Dawson House: Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Silcox, Misses Alpha, William, Mary, Jim, and May Chaplin, Louise Watt, Gertrude Poosdick, Misses N. D. Willison, E. R. Hineleight, O. S. Getty, Rodger McCormick, J. O. McAllister, Howard Silcox, O. H. Silcox and T. E. Alder.

Complaints of Heartless Father.

Paria, Feb. 12—Princess Louise of Belgium (the divorced wife of Prince Philip of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha) in an open letter published in the *Mail*, complains bitterly of the heartless fashion in which her father, King Leopold, has abandoned her, even allowing the heritage which she derived from the late queen-mother to be seized for debt.

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TUESDAY EVENING, Feb. 12, 1907.

RAILWAYS AND TROLLEYS.
The railroads are not going to submit to State regulation generally, nor the fixing of passenger rates specifically, nor the extension of the right to carry freights and the right of eminent domain to the trolley companies. President Baer of the Reading in an open letter defies the Legislature. He stands up for his company's chartered rights, and he further declares that all railroads chartered prior to 1857 have the right to charge such rates as are fixed by their charters.

This is a legal question which may be illuminated by a decision of the courts. A more interesting one is that raised in the statement that the Reading railroad lost half a million dollars last year in carrying passengers. Similar complaints are made by other railroads. If it be true that the passenger business is unprofitable, why do the railway companies insist upon keeping it from the trolley systems, which have proven their entire ability to handle local traffic with greater dispatch, less cost to the people, and more profit to themselves than the steam railway companies will admit is possible to them?

It is natural and perhaps proper for the steam railways to resist the regulation of their business by the politicians, but if they cannot conduct the passenger business with profit, one would think they would gladly turn it over to the trolley systems when and wherever they can.

But they find all arrayed against the trolley bills, all represented at the hearing before the Railways Committee of the House by some legal talent, sent there to tell the legislators that the proposition is unconstitutional and that its effect would be to make the last condition of the trolley companies worse than the first.

CRIME IN SOMERSET COUNTY.
The industrial development of Somerset county has been attended by the inevitable lowering of the moral standards and an increase in the criminal business of the courts. The simple life has been changed for the strenuous, and the honest folks have been mixed up with evil people.

A man is in jail charged with murdering the husband of a woman that he might enjoy her himself without disturbance, and now two brothers are charged with murdering a female relative to prevent her making discriminations in her will in favor of her grandchildren.

Such crimes, if proven, are the kind that call for the rope. Truly, Somerset's development has developed some evil with the good.

ANOTHER WABASH STRAW.
If it be true that the coke region community of railway interest is trying to purchase the Indian Creek Valley railroad in order to prevent its falling into the hands of the Wabash, we may not unreasonably conclude that the peace with Gould that means the paralysis of Wabash railway projects in this section has not been definitely concluded, and that there are still hopes for another competing railway system in the Connellsville coke region.

In the meantime, it is evident that the Connellsville, Scottdale and Mt. Pleasant people who have taken over the Indian Creek railway project have cornered some handsome possibilities.

Greene county's District Attorney is being prosecuted primarily for some alleged crime of his own, indictment for having prosecuted other persons for other crimes. When bad men sit at their quarrels in court, they usually get what is coming to them. It were better for the peace of the world if the Wabash, in the old-fashioned way, as far from the Court House as they could get.

Scottdale is still the Frick center of the coke region.

Variety is the spice of life, but there is just a little too much spice in this winter weather.

Latrebo is in the grasp of the grip. We extend our sympathy. While Latrebo people are not scourged with winter microbes in the summer's torrid weather, they are hit up with the influenza insect that thrives in the biting winter atmosphere.

Congressman Cooper is making a few more Fayette county postmasters. It is a pleasant occupation, but withal at times most perplexing.

The B. & O. can't get its tax assessments reduced in West Virginia. It is very easy to add more to valuations, but next to impossible to have anything taken off.

Selling liquor is a serious crime in Greene county, but debauching the halot is universally condoned.

The merchants do well to honor Lincoln. He was a friend of the people, and the store was the forum of local debate wherein the fate of the nation was settled, and he had much to do with settling it both there and there.

Disasters at sea do not often happen, but when they do Death reaps a rich

**TROLLEY FREIGHT
BILL'S HEARING.**

**Speeches Made Against Ster-
ling Act by Railroad
Representatives.**

D. W. McDONALD FOR B. & O.

**Claim Made That All Trolley Roads
Under the Law Would Be Compelled
to Carry Freight and That Would Be
Hardship on Some of Them.**

Special to The Courier.

HARRISBURG, Feb. 12.—The line along which the fight against the trolley freight bills which have been introduced in the Legislature by B. F. Sterling of Fayette and other members will probably be made was disclosed at the public hearing on the Railroad Commission bill before the House Railroad Committee Monday afternoon.

William I. Schaffer of Chester, reporter for the State Supreme Court, appeared with counsel for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. In the course of his remarks, he declared that if a trolley freight bill be enacted every such electric railway in the State will have to carry freight, whether it desires to or not. He said that it will have to do this because it is a common carrier and must obey the law.

This is a new proposition to many of the legislators and caused a lot of talk about Capitol Hill today. Mr. Schaffer also said it the Commission is given the powers to fix rates which are conferred upon it by the bill in committee it may fix such low rates as will put some trolley companies out of business.

The hearing in question was the first of a series which will be held. The railway representatives consumed most of the three-hour session. Another hearing will be held in a few days at which the advocates of the measure will speak and then the railroads will be heard in rebuttal.

The array of counsel present was imposing. Ex-Attorney General William C. Hensel spoke for the Reading, railroad interests, and D. W. McDowell, Esq., Unonton for the Baltimore & Ohio. Mr. Schaffer spoke for the Pennsylvania and several other attorneys.

Opposes Orphan's Court, Governor E. S. Stuart said to be opposed to the establishment of an orphan's court in Fayette county.



Congress—I really could not earn my increased salary unless I gave you this package.

It has been decided to continue the free distribution of seeds by Congress.

—News Item.

BIBLE STUDY BANQUET

Of the Y. M. C. A. Will Be Held This Evening.

The Bible Study Club of the Y. M. C. A. will entertain tonight as its guest Harry T. Williams of Harrisburg, who is State Secretary of Bible study. A supper will be served at 6:30 to which all members of the Men's Bible Study Club, numbering over 90 men, are invited. Mr. Williams is making a tour of some of the Associations of the Western end of this State this week, closing up the work of the year.

The annual State convention of the Young Men's Christian Association will be held at Allentown, beginning with the Secretaries' conference next Wednesday, the 20th, and continuing over the 21st. The local Association will be represented by a number of its members. It is expected that the president of the Association, North Kittipoleck, E. W. Horner, W. N. Loche and Secretary John A. Eby will go. Others may be appointed delegates by the President, if they wish to go.

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COMMITTEES NAMED

For the Big Celebration of the Volunteer Firemen of Scottdale

THE FIRST WEEK OF JULY.

Many Attractions Are Planned for and the Committees Are Getting at Work Early for the Greatest Local Talent Fair Ever Held in the Mill Town. Other News Notes.

SCOTTDALE, Feb. 12.—The last meeting of the Scottdale Volunteer Fire Company was devoted to getting in shape the preliminary details for the street fair that the boys are going to hold in Scottdale during the first week of July. None but talent of a local nature will appear and from the canvas that has been made it developed that some extraordinary clever attractions will be on hand. And a show by local talent is over a drawing card in any town. Frank Bodeheimer is down for an illusion show, and for his production of magic art, which is to be extremely clever, tent has been arranged for. Incidentally a metro go round will be hired for the entire week, and another motion carried was for the securing of a first class moving picture show. A restaurant will be conducted by the women so there will be no lack of plenty to eat for those that the paupers of hunger seize upon. A country store is on the program and this will be a feature of both amusement and profit. A game and knife rack will be put up, and a minister show will give opportunity for the boys to show what they can do in black face and bones. A piano will be raffled off, a doll rack will be put up, and other amusements will be run. There will be no paddle wheels, however, or anything of that nature. A committee was instructed to have a dancing platform built and an amusement committee has in charge the securing of some attractions in the way of general amusements for every night of the week. The following committees were named: On advertising, W. N. Porter, W. Haines, and Roy Bakes; on tents, Joseph Stein, Robert McNair, and John Meister; on entertainment, Arthur Collins, Charles Skinner, and John Mulhause; on lumber, David Nez, John G. Darling, W. Sprinkle, J. S. Hamilton and J. F. Keagy; on large attractions, G. W. Sprinkle, Jack Hastings, E. McClain, Charles Musgrave, and John Comp; small attractions, Ben S. Baldwin, Fred Parley, John Mulhause, David Nez and Edward Gordon; to solicit money for the Fourth, W. N. Porter, S. M. Beatty, Joseph Stein, M. Kelly and Arthur Collins; on finance, D. Griffith, David Nez, Jack Hastings, J. G. Darling, C. Haines, Roy Baker and Frank Wise. A committee was appointed to see the band and secure their services for the dancing pavilion, as follows: J. Sprinkle, H. Stoner, Earl Husher. A committee consisting of C. B. Knipke, Jessie Stoner and Paul Sprinkle were appointed with Secretary B. S. Baldwin to secure bids on a piano. W. N. Porter in behalf of S. M. Beatty and family extended their thanks to the company for their sympathy and kindness at the death of their son, James P. Beatty.

Constable Joseph Hefflinger was high gun at the rifle shoot for chickens, ducks and geese at the Scottdale rifle range on Saturday.

A pleasant little surprise party was arranged by Grace Porter for her smaller sister, Irene, at their home on Spring and Mulberry streets, yesterday afternoon, at which a number of little friends had a very enjoyable time, with music, games and a dainty lunch. Those present were Anna Grace Lynn, Laura Rose Webb, Katherine Thomas, Margerie Lowe, Elizabeth Rhodes, Mary M. Grader, Mildred Johnston, Rena Loucks, Mary Beck, Elizabeth Fleming, Silva Webb, Emma Engle, Gladys Pyle, Gladys Truxell and Isabell Hayes.

Robert Morris, chief engineer for the Keystone Coal & Coke Company of Greensburg, was a business visitor in Scottdale Monday evening.

A sledding party of 28 members in the big bobs belonging to George B. Kelly and Frank Frotts drove out to the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Roberts, near Rankin school house on Saturday evening and had a motley time. The party was all made up of English residents and old English names and pastimes were revived and kept up until a late hour.

Miss Florence Anderson returned home on Sunday from a visit with the family of George C. McGill at Dawson.

Mr. and Mrs. Shidaway and daughter and granddaughter of Cleveland, O., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. William Raybould and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Shidaway, near the White school house, with John Shidaway, the oldest member of the family, thus making a representation of four generations of the family together.

Oliver Flack of Central was visiting his father, S. S. Flack, a prominent farmer near town, over Sunday.

Joseph Kenney is at Greensburg attending court as a jurorman this week.

J. B. Hogg of Connellsville was in Scottdale on business Monday.

Melody Defeats Lewis. Valley Falls, R. I., Feb. 12.—Honey Melody of Boston, weight-champion of the world, won the decision in the fourth round in a contest with Willie Lewis of New York. Lewis's seconds threw up the sponge.

TWO STATE STORIES.

News in Brief During the Past 24 Hours.

Steubenville, O., Feb. 12.—Meyer Gross, age 44, a Hebrew rag peddler, who had been sick and despondent, fired a bullet into his brain and died instantly.

Toledo, O., Feb. 12.—Cratz Bros., one of the oldest wholesale dealers in houses in the city, has closed its doors. It is said expenses were large and the trade had fallen off.

Marietta, O., Feb. 12.—The heaviest single advance in oil ever made by the standard Oil Co. is announced, amber or deep oil being advanced 15 cents barrel and shallow oil five cents.

Altoona, Pa., Feb. 12.—Elizabeth Stalker died suddenly at her home in Williamsburg aged 106. She was the second oldest woman in the state and all her life had enjoyed splendid health.

Butler, Pa., Feb. 12.—Chief of Police Edward S. Hoover of Butler, dropped dead at his home here. Chief Hoover had appeared on the streets for the first time after a month's illness with pneumonia.

Mahanoy City, Pa., Feb. 12.—Commissioner Neill announces that the average price of coal at elevators for January was \$4.81, giving the mine workers an increase of 6 per cent on their wages for the period.

Sandusky, O., Feb. 12.—Rather than pay \$5 a week for the support of a child, Frederick Berger, it is said, threw up his job, which paid \$100 per month, and disappeared. A warrant for non-support is out for him.

Washington, Pa., Feb. 12.—Monongahela licensed places must pay a fee of \$500 each instead of \$350 as other places pay. This is because that river town is a third-class city, and is one of the penalties for such a distinction.

Cincinnati, Feb. 12.—Cincinnati Methodist ministers have appointed a committee with Bishop Walden at the head, to call on the mayor for the purpose of preventing the Metropolitan Opera Co. from presenting "Salomé" here.

Sandusky, O., Feb. 12.—When Edward Hodgkinson, a wealthy Bloomsburg man, died his body was dressed in a costume suit he had made in London, England, 53 years ago. He had kept it all these years for a funeral garb.

New Castle, Pa., Feb. 12.—The directors of the embarrassed New Castle Savings & Trust Co., whose doors were closed by Bank Examiner McClain, hope to be able to have the institution reopen for business within the next week or 10 days.

Canal Dover, O., Feb. 12.—Denton Young of Paoli, father of "Gy" Young, the famous ball player, was the first veteran of Tuscarawas county to make application for pension under the new service pension law. He is 74 years old and will receive \$15 a month.

Altoona, Pa., Feb. 12.—Let me die! wailed Adam Buckles, age 41, at the hospital while doctors were trying to save his life. Buckles, because his wife had taken him to task for staying out late had taken laudanum. The attempt at self-destruction was unsuccessful.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Feb. 12.—Tho' attempting to rescue the seven-year victim from the Wanamaker mine fire has been abandoned, should he be alive a horrible death awaits him. The portion of the mine in which he is entombed is now being walled in and that section of the mine is being flooded.

Bradford, Pa., Feb. 12.—Conductor M. J. Conner and Brakeman F. E. Walton, both of this city, were seriously injured in an Erie freight wreck near Kinzua bridge. The freight broke in two and when the engineer slowed down for the Kinzua bridge the rear section crashed into the front part.

Athens, O., Feb. 12.—Hobert Roeder and Henry Harkins, former attendants at the state hospital, who were arrested for the killing of W. J. Barnes, an inmate, were bound over to the grand jury on a charge of murder. C. F. Bobo, the other attendant who is accused with Roeder and Harkins, has not yet been found.

Cleveland, Feb. 12.—While running at a high rate of speed two cars on the Eastern Ohio traction line met in a head-on collision near Gates Mills. A dozen persons were injured and the cars which were wrecked by the collision took fire and were burned up. A misunderstanding as to orders is said to have caused the wreck.

Findlay, O., Feb. 12.—Skin grafting is the only thing that will save Mrs. W. L. David, says physicians. While cleaning gloves with gasoline the fluid caught fire and her arms and body were frightfully burned. Since the accident she has been kept under the influence of opiates because of the excruciating pain. She is the wife of the Standard Oil case prosecutor.

Easton, Pa., Feb. 12.—In a collision between trolley cars on the Northampton Traction Co.'s line just beyond the city limits Edward Hopkins, a motorman, was probably fatally injured and Peter Williams, a constable of Belfast and Quinones, Heltzman of Palmer township, were dangerously hurt. Hopkins' legs were crushed so that they will have to be amputated.

Virginia Has Earthquake. Charlottesville, Va., Feb. 12.—An earthquake of considerable violence was felt throughout this section. In Charlottesville dishes were rattled at the breakfast tables. The shock was recorded at the University of Virginia by Frederick W. Reed, assistant to Prof. Ormondstone, director of the Leander McCormick observatory. The tremor lasted about 20 seconds.

AT FRICK BANQUET.

Those Present at Exchange Hotel on Saturday Evening.

Those present at the Frick company banquet at the Exchange Hotel Saturday evening were:

J. W. Anawalt, Pittsburg; E. P. Givold, Gates; Patrick Shaler, Lockport; P. H. Raison, Uniontown; R. U. Hayes, Mansontown; J. S. Amend, Uniontown; C. J. Mahr, Fairchance; Logan Rush, Uniontown; W. C. Muller, Broad Ford; W. J. Culleton and S. M. Wadsworth, Uniontown; James Hatt, N. G. Korn and P. D. Walbridge, Butler; W. B. Imbs, Poole Dale; C. M. Bishop, Latrobe; Joseph Malla and J. W. Findley, Newcomer; Joseph Gault, New Salem; J. W. Abihaia, E. Parker and S. W. Smith, Uniontown; H. R. Titterington, Olyphant; J. W. Brostow, York Run; J. K. Gines, Shouf; D. A. Donshill, York Run; Harry Carter, Uniontown; W. S. Nixon, Fairchance; Leo Patterson, Brownfield; J. W. Jones, Uniontown; Lew G. Walker, Fairchance; H. A. Maudas, Mansontown; J. W. Campbell, Lockport; John L. Darby, Fairchance; D. H. Parker, Ronco; E. H. McClelland, Smithfield; T. E. Conn, P. J. Locke, George E. Gay and Robert House, Uniontown; J. W. Morris, Continental No. 2; W. A. Keene and Benton Burn, Uniontown; C. M. Hahn, Lemon Furnace; F. W. Byne, Poole Dale; Edward M. Roycroft, Poole Dale; Charles B. Franks, Leisenring No. 1, D. B. Stauff, Scottdale; E. V. Landbeater, Smithfield; Jay D. Smith, H. J. Huntzinger, W. P. Gilmore and S. G. Roby, Uniontown; H. N. Mitchell, Uniontown; Chas. A. Richay, Lockport; A. L. Straub, Connellsville; Harry Van Gorder, Durbar; O. W. Kennedy, Uniontown.

NULL HOUSE FIRE.

Famous Old Hotel at Greensburg Has Narrow Escape.

GREENSBURG, Feb. 12.—The historic old Null House, Greensburg's oldest hostelry, had a narrow escape from destruction by the last night at 11 o'clock. In a barbershop adjacent to the basement some towels had been left too near a gas fire and ignited. Quick work on the part of Simonon who were nearby when the fire was discovered, saved the building. While historic and picturesque, the Null House is not an imposing structure, as it is a vital spot in Greensburg's business center. This is not a chock; however, on the joy of Proprietor John House, man, who today entertains his friends with a series of "what might have been" stories.

The P. & R. R. Company seems to have taken on a new lease of life since Col. Lloyd Huff has assumed control. Five new cars, costing \$7,500, have been ordered, making ten of this size, the largest in service in Western Pennsylvania. The section of the road between Greensburg and Oakland will be double tracked in order to handle the big park business. A cut-off between Manor and Union will be built at an expense of \$75,000, the Directors announce.

TRANSFERRED TO SCOTTDALE.

Frick Engineers and Draughtsmen All Located in the Steel Town.

All of the engineers and draughtsmen of the H. C. Frick Coke Company throughout the coke region except the division engineers are now located in the new three story hotel building in Scottdale. The two draughtsmen who were in Uniontown, Thomas Scott and John Tomlinson, went to Scottdale Monday, taking their equipment with them. This new brick building is used entirely by the engineers and draughtsmen and is the center of a vast amount of business.

Thirty Days for Eddle.

Squire W. H. Cotton of Dunbar has sent Shadie Brubaker to jail for 30 days on charges of being drunk and disorderly and resisting Policecon George Still whom he attempted to arrest. She is well known in police circles.

Old Frick Man Dead.

John Joseph Pearson, aged 75, is dead at Uniontown. He worked over 20 years for the Frick coke company and was on its pension roll.

Read The Sunday Courier.

The Elite Shoe

The shoe of quality. When we commence in the shoe business our purpose was to sell the best shoes on the market and sell them at the most reasonable price. It is acknowledged today that

ELITE SHOE

is the standard of quality in popular priced footwear— we have them in all shapes and leathers. Price \$3.50 and \$4.00.

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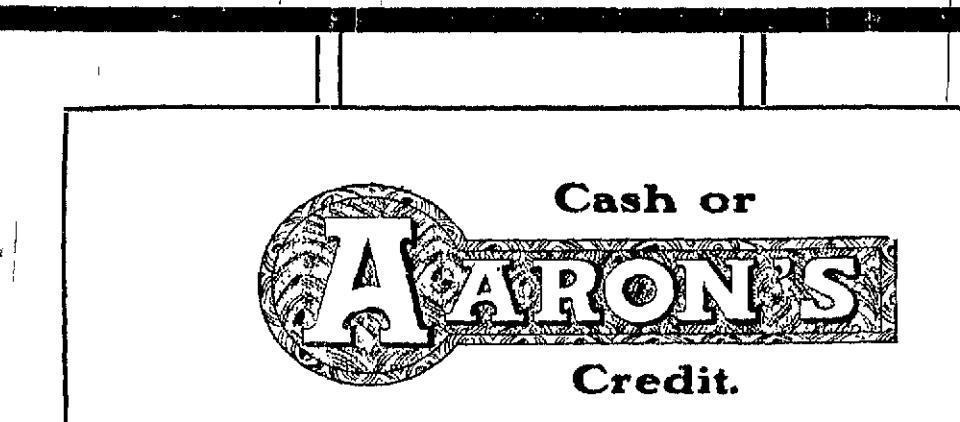
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We pay 4 per cent interest on savings— \$1 opens an account at

The Scottdale Bank

Scottdale, Pa.



Live Right While You Live

Your home is your palace.

That's where you receive your friends.

That's where you do your living.

Then why not make it cozy and inviting?

You are a long time dead.

Live while you are here.

It is so easy to furnish a home on our credit plan that we wonder why there is a shabby home within reach of our house.

There should not be one—no, not one!

If there is a man or woman of limited means who desires and craves for a neat little home—it doesn't make any difference how small his or her income may be, we shall be glad to arrange matters so that

making a home will be just as easy as it is for others more plentifully supplied with money.

Try it.

Get acquainted with us and our methods.

See what we have done for others.

Our outfit business is growing wonderfully.

It's the modern way of furnishing a home.

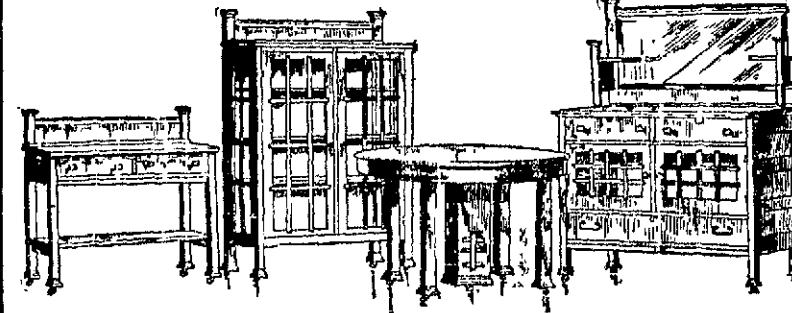
And we think we have made it simple, safe, sane, satisfactory, serviceable and sure.

Whatever you do, do it right.

Live while you live.

It's certain you'll stay dead when you die.

Aaron's Weathered Mission Dining Room Suite, \$69.50.



How About That New Spring Carpet?

The Home of the Outfit.

Exactly like cut. See it in the window. We consider this Dining Room Suite the most desirable one that has ever been offered at the price. We regret that no newspaper illustration can justly portray its artistic beauty and richly weathered finish, but this one at least reveals the lines. You can imagine how beautiful the dining room would look with these four pieces in it. It is both beautiful as to style and character of construction.

Buffet, 68 in. high, 43 in. wide. China Closet, 60 in. high, 40 in. wide. Dining Table, 45 inch top. Serving Table, 40 in. high, 36 in. wide.

Terms, \$8.00 cash; \$4.00 Monthly.

Colonial Theatre.

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POSITIVE FAREWELL PERFORMANCE.

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WHIZZED OVER HEAD.

Sergeant Sanders Declares He Heard Bullets Coming From Outside the Fort.

ALL GUNS WERE ACCOUNTED FOR

Negro Soldier Who Served 25 Years in Army Gives His Version of the Brownsville Affray — Swears He Knew of No Conspiracy.

Washington Feb 12.—The shooting up of the town of Brownsville, Tex., was in the main an attack upon the garrison at Fort Brown according to the testimony given by Mingo Sanders, former first sergeant, of Co. B of the 23rd Infantry, before the Senate Committee on Militia at Fort Sanders, a story created something of a stir in the committee as he said that while serving from his quarters to Co. B barracks after being awakened by the firing, on the night of August 12, the shooting was going on and it came from the town and was toward the post on the hill. The reservation he said bullets were whizzing over his head. This is the first direct testimony given by any of the black soldiers old men that the day came to the town.

Sanders said that he had served in the army 25 years six months and 22 days, including the campaign in Cuba and three years in the Philippines. He said he had never been court-martialed, never reprimanded nor found fault with his knowledge. At Brownsville he had a house to the left of company quarters and directly in front of the post office. His story of the incidents of the night of Aug. 12 was not interesting until he told of his experiences in trying to get to the barracks after being awakened by the shooting. He said it started on a run to B barracks and just after leaving his house the firing was renewed. It came from the town, he said and bullets were flying thick and fast over his head. As he reached the barracks he said he saw that men assembled were excited and shouting to each other.

"I heard some one yell fall in he said. Then some one yelled to get the guns and another person said swore that they could not get the guns as the racks were locked and the man with the key could not be found. Then Lieutenant Greer I know he voice said break those racks open.

There has been a great deal of testimony given concerning the various ranks of C company, but no person had testified positively before as to the manner in which they were fired on. The testimony of Sanders indicated that the ranks were in good condition before the shooting and were broken open by the command of one of the company officers.

Sanders told of finding his own company in confusion and of his efforts to straighten it out. He said he found some of the men down on the floor and that others were yelling to put out the lights so that it would not attract a target for persons to shoot. "I told them to stand up and be soldiers and that it was better to be shot in the ranks than out," said Sanders. "When the men did not stand up I told them some other things I don't want to repeat here."

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On cross-examination Sanders said that he could not tell the location of the firing. He said that he had been under fire a number of times and he was familiar with the reports of the various makes of arms. "On that night it was 'solved firing' he said. He thought it came from six shooters, Winchesters and Mausers.

QUESTION NOT SETTLED

President and Californians Are Still Distracting.

Washington Feb 12.—As a result of an hour's conference at the White House at which President Roosevelt, Secretary of State Root, Mayor F. Ignacio Schmitz of San Francisco and the members of the school board of that city participated Mayor Schmitz made a statement summarizing the situation.

When asked the direct question whether the proposition submitted by the San Francisco delegation called for the exclusion of Japanese coolies labor from this country the Mayor replied:

"We are not making a treaty and have not discussed with the press the question of excluding the Japanese from this country by treaty. On Saturday we heard the president's views and today we presented our side of the question to him. It now remains for us to modify our views in order to reach an agreement with the president or for Mr. Roosevelt to modify his views to reach an agreement with us. Today's conference adjourned subject to the call of the president and I do not believe that we will be called to the White House again until Tuesday or Friday."

Waynesboro, Pa. Feb 12.—In improperly set switch was responsible for a collision between a passenger train and a freight train on the Waynesboro branch of the Cumberland Valley railroad in which half a dozen persons were hurt and the engines of both trains were wrecked.

THEATRICAL.

Plays Booked for the Colonial Theatre in Near Future.

Gordon & Gilbert in their latest comedy edition of the success "Hans and Nix" claim a whirlwind of laughs from the first act to the end curtain. Nothing that might add to the production has been neglected. The picture parts have been chosen for their attitude for their parts the show girls and female chorus comprise selected girls, dressed in fact and figure and costumed with much skill foristic and brilliant effects. The finale of the two acts is a madcap in the way of scenic stage pictures and nothing like them has ever been attempted before. At the Colonial Theatre this evening Kellar, the Magician.

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FAYETTE COURT RECORDS.

Deeds That Have Been Entered in the Last Few Days.

Lizbeth Hensel wife of Samuel H. Hensel J. S. D. 133, D. 134, 1906 South Union township, Feb 6, 1907.

Agnes L. Jon 4, and 2 h mrs. John her husband L. N. J. Chaffee his son and son in Connellsville, Feb 6, 1907.

Sarah B. Smith to Anna W. Clegg, Feb 6, 1907, in J. Clegg, Feb 6, 1907.

George H. Miller and son to the Borough of Uniontown for a sum not to exceed \$100. Oct 1, 1906.

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BLOCKED BY JEROME.

District Attorney Prevents Introduction of Evidence in Thaw Trial.

MAKES TECHNICAL OBJECTIONS

Note Written by Harry Thaw's Wife in Cafe Martin Produced by District Attorney—Dr. Wagner, Expert, Declares Thaw Was Insane.

New York Feb. 12—Answering a hypothetical question covering every detail of the testimony up to this time in the Thaw trial including Mrs. Evelyn Nesbit, Thaw, a narration of her life history to the defendant, Dr. C. G. Wagner, superintendent of the state hospital for the insane at Binghamton, N. Y., declared on the witness stand that in his opinion Harry K. Thaw did not know that the act was wrong when he shot and killed Stanford White. Dr. Wagner stopped as he for later cross examination by District Attorney Jerome and as court adjourned for the day it was announced that the defense would proceed with the testimony of other alleged today.

The taking of Dr. Wagner's opinion of a hypothetical question, the man under consideration being the author of the letter which has been introduced as emanating from Harry Thaw during the period of his estrangement with Evelyn Nesbit after their return from Europe in 1906, followed a day of almost continuous legal skirmishing between Delphin M. Delmas for the defense and Mr. Jerome for the prosecution.

Jerome Blocks Defense.

Mr. Jerome effectively blocked the prosecution for the time being of the direct testimony of Mrs. Evelyn Thaw by insisting that before she should go on further competent testimony as to Thaw's unsoundness of mind should be placed before the jury. Mr. Delmas tried to carry forward the young man with a story, but the district attorney was on his feet with an objection to every question asked. Mrs. Thaw had been called as the third witness of the day. One of her predecessors was J. D. Lyon vice president of the Union National bank of Pittsburgh who stated that he had received Harry Thaw's will from the latter's own hands some time prior to April 1, 1906 and had held it in a safe deposit box until late in November last, when he directed his secretary to forward it to John B. Gleason, Mrs. Thaw's counsel.

Mrs. Gleason followed Mr. Lyon on the stand and said he had received the will by mail on Dec. 13, 1906 and that absolutely no changes had been made in the instrument during the time it had been in his possession. Mr. Jerome admitted the progress of the will from Mr. Lyon to Mr. Gleason without the necessity of bringing the former's secretary as a witness. Mr. Delmas did not offer the will in evidence, however owing to the fact that it has not in its entirety been proved to have been legally executed by Thaw.

Jerome Produces Note.

When young Mrs. Thaw was called to the stand she was dressed precisely as when she occupied the witness chair last week. As she was taking her seat Mr. Delmas turned to the district attorney and renew his demand of Wednesday last that the note which was passed by Mrs. Thaw to her husband at the Cafe Martin in the night of the tragedy should be produced. Mr. Jerome upon the occasion of the first demand had remained silent. This time he was on his feet at once saying he would send for the slip of paper. It was brought from his office was identified by Mrs. Thaw and then read by Mr. Delmas as follows:

The b— was here a minute ago but went out again. The contents of the note caused a surprise only as to the exact wording. It had generally been supposed that the note read: The b— is here.

Mrs. Thaw testified that the b— means the black guard as Thaw always referred to Stanford White whom she had seen on the balcony of the cafe.

The only other essential point Mrs. Thaw was allowed to bring out in her testimony was the statement that the defendant never carried a pistol except in New York city. She was asked many other questions embodying various stories she had discussed with "Hansie" including the altered fate of the girl known to them as the pie girl at the hands of Stanford White but Mr. Jerome blocked every question with a sustained objection.

Jerome Engages Wagner.

After compelling defense to go into the taking of expert testimony as to Thaw's insanity by his objections to Mrs. Thaw's testimony, Mr. Jerome next proceeded to block the testimony of Dr. Wagner as to the results of his visit to the defendant in the Tombs and his tests as to the latter's mental condition. Dr. Wagner was not allowed to go into the conversations he had had with the defendant nor the conclusions he had reached from these conversations. He was confined by Mr. Jerome's continuous fusillade of objections to stating what he actually observed and he declared his observations were so closely interlaced with his questioning of the defendant that he did not know if he could separate them.

A long argument over the point resulted in Mr. Delmas withdrawing any further questions as to the tests, contenting himself with asking Dr. Wagner

not to give his opinion of the hypothetical question covering the evidence in the case. The question was almost record-breaking in length—a comprehensive resume of the entire case including Mrs. Thaw's personal narrative.

MERCHANTS' BANQUET.

All Preparations Are Ready for the Big Affair at Eagle's Hall This Evening.

Preparations are complete for the first annual banquet of the Councils & New Haven Merchants Association in Eagle's Hall this evening. There will be about 500 guests present including members of the Association and business men of the two towns. A delegation is expected from Greensburg. This will be the first annual banquet of the Association and it promises to outshine anything done this line that has been given here before. The principal object of the affair is to bring the business men of town into closer touch with each other.

There will be but few speeches. Those speakers up on the program only Dr. Little, Burgess will deliver a eulogy on Abraham Lincoln. Dr. W. H. Lee will speak on the Merchants Association and the Board of Trade its work and aims will be the topic of Attorney W. H. Brown's talk. Rev. J. A. Ash has been elected to pronounce the invocation. After the prescribed speech it is proposed that a few impromptu remarks will be made by some of those present.

The affair will begin promptly at eight o'clock this evening and will continue until the present feature is finished.

After the feature is finished the festive board.

MRS. COCHRAN'S GIFTS.

To Beaver College Arranged to Promote Better Feeling.

Mr. Struth B. Cochran of Dawson Pt. gave \$10,000 to the Beaver College a short time ago to which she is added 3,000 shares of stock and yesterday in the name of the Educational Society of the Pittsburgh Club Club in the M. L. M. building Pittsburgh she transferred to the conference the benefit of a grant of \$10,000 in the affairs of the institution. Mrs. Cochran's 1,000 shares which makes her a 10% owner.

For some time the conference has tried to bring the college and conference joined together and this will have a tendency to aid the project.

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